# Miguel Jiménez

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Ph.D. candidate exploring the development- and run-time frontier to automate the evolution of cloud systems. I have industry experience and academic training in development for web and cloud, language engineering, and applied research.

## **FDUCATION**

## Ph.D. in Computer Science

University of Victoria Exp. Dec 2020 | Victoria, Canada

## M.Sc. in Software Engineering

Universidad Icesi Aug 2016 | Cali, Colombia Thesis: A framework for generating and deploying dynamic performance monitors for self-adaptive systems

## **B.E.** in Systems Engineering

Universidad Icesi Feb 2014 | Cali, Colombia Thesis: PaSCAni: A language for V&V of functional requirements at run-time

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

- Machine Learning and IoT Foundations-IBM (Badge)
- Software Engineering Lifecycle of IoT Systems-NSERC DITA
- Mobile Technologies-MIT AITI

## SELECTED AWARDS

- 2019 NIER Paper Award CASCON
- 2019 First place in DITA Hackathon
- 2019 Best Poster Presentation CSER
- 2017+ UVic Graduate Award (3 times) 2017 IBM Advanced Studies Grant
- 2017 Divi Advanced Studies Oran
- 2017 Cleanest Code at HackUVic
- 2014 Young Researcher Fellowship

## SKILLS

## **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

Architecture Design
Continuous Delivery
Cloud Computing
Data mining (basic)
Infrastructure as Code
Language Engineering
Object-Oriented Programming
Software Deployment
Web programming

#### **PROGRAMMING**

Java • Xtend • JavaScript • CSS • HTML • C • Python • LEX • C# • Shell • Android (familiar) • SQL

#### **PERSONAL INTERESTS**

Gym, Soccer, Hackathons

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

## Graduate Research Assistant | Rigi Research Group

Aug 2016 - Present | University of Victoria, Canada

- Filed an invention disclosure (in revision).
- Published 9 refereed journal, conference and workshop papers so far.
- Runner-up for CAS Project of the Year among 60+ projects.
- Runner-up for CAS Student of the Year among 120+ graduate students.
- Participate in ongoing industry collaborative projects with IBM, including Reverse Engineering Deployment Specifications from Running Systems and Cognitive IoT Recipe Mayen.
- Implemented a proof of concept middleware to support the automated evolution of Infrastructure-as-Code specifications based on run-time adaptations to a cloud system running on vmware vSpehere and OpenStack.
- Proposed an architectural framework for quality-driven and adaptive continuous experimentation. This proposal allows managing systems to plan and conduct experiments concerning the software architecture and the system infrastructure.
- Participated in the design and development of a conversational agent for the smart kitchen based on integrated user, fridge and grocery store contexts.

## Graduate Research Assistant | i2T/DRISO Research Group Jan 2014 - Aug 2016 | Universidad Icesi, Colombia

- Published 1 refereed journal paper and 2 refereed conference papers.
- Participate in industry collaborative projects with Carvajal Tecnología y Servicios, including Processing of Large and Complex XML Documents and Context-Driven Route Optimization for Home Health.
- Created Amelia, a domain-specific language to automate the configuration and deployment of more than 300 experimental trials. The language addressed the following challenges: variability in architectural configurations, dependency management, coordination control, modularity and composability, reusability and extensibility.
- Created PaSCAni, a domain-specific language to specify, generate and deploy performance monitors to introspect service-oriented applications at run-time.
- Participated in technology transfer activities to adapt the asymmetric traveling salesman problem with time windows (ATSP-TW) to Carvajal's home-health product.
- Implemented a test case generator for the ATSP-TW.

## Research Assistant Intern | i2T/DRISO Research Group

Jun 2013 - Dec 2013 | Universidad Icesi, Colombia

Proposed and implemented various component-based strategies for the matrix chain multiplication problem and conducted quantitative experiments to test their scalability.

## INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

#### Freelance Developer

#### Carvajal Espacios 2015 | Cali, Colombia

- Developed a Java web application using Play! framework for the purchasing department to manage raw material catalogs and suppliers as well as material search statistics. As part of the development, I designed the database relations and integrated the charting library Highcharts into the application.
- Led meetings with the customer to elicit the software requirements, and coordinated with the IT team to integrate an existing LDAP server and to deploy the application to the customer's infrastructure.
- Effectively planned and coordinated development tasks and meetings with the customer.

## INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

## Freelance Developer

## Laboratorios LaFrancol 2015 | Cali, Colombia

- Developed a web application for the purchasing department to create online auctions and invite partner suppliers to bid.
- Implemented a NodeJS server to handle live bids through WebSockets and an ASP.NET MVC web app using the Entity Framework.
- Led meetings with the customer for requirements elicitation and training sessions with the target users.

#### SQL Soluciones Informáticas

2012 | Cali, Colombia

- Advised the customer on hardware and software purchasing and technical decision making.
- Developed an information system for a premier trolley service for ticket management, printing, and selling. Implemented the system using ASP.NET MVC and Entity Framework.

## Software Developer | SQL Soluciones Informáticas

2009 - 2010 | Cali, Colombia

- Deployed and managed the corporate website, customer support portal, and online store using Joomla! and Magento.
- Developed a PHP content management site for documentation and video tutorials, increasing customer satisfaction and supporting a market expansion. Recorded and edited more than 90 training videos.
- Designed advertisement for digital and print marketing campaigns.

## GRADUATE TEACHING

## **University of Victoria**

2016 - 2018 | Victoria, Canada

- Held the following teaching positions:
  - Lead Graduate Teaching Assistant for Fundamentals of Programming with Engineering Applications. Falls 2016 2018.
  - Graduate Consultant at the Assistance Centre in Computer Science. Spring 2018.
  - Graduate Teaching Assistant for Data Structures. Fall 2016.
- Lectured weekly labs and assisted students with programming and lab assignments.
- Tutored students and assisted them with programming assignments in one-on-one sessions for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> year courses.
- Co-led weekly meetings and developed teaching material and guizzes.
- Developed examgen, a program to generate examinations along with their solutions from a YAML input file. The resulting files are rendered to either LaTeX or Moodle. Examgen allowed us to stop printing 2800 quizzes and reduced marking time by 30h per term.
- Developed grade-buddy to assist teaching assistants and professors in automating the marking of programming assignments.
- Developed an installation assistant to ease the installation of CLion and its dependencies on Windows, Mac, and Linux.
- Deployed and managed an online platform to host and mark programming assignments.

## **Universidad Icesi**

2014 - 2015 | Cali, Colombia

- Supervised the following undergraduate degree projects from the Interactive Media Design program:
  - Knowledge management and dissemination: Alternative soccer culture
  - Folii: A natural and interactive encyclopedia mediated by citizen science
  - An information system for bicycle transportation

## SERVICE AND VOLUNTEERING

**Session Chair** | Annual International Conference on Computer Science and Software Engineering Fall 2019 | Victoria, Canada

**Social Media Co-Chair** | Consortium for Software Engineering Research (CSER) Meeting Fall 2019 | Victoria, Canada

## Volunteer instructor for the Web Programming Club | Universidad Icesi

Fall 2019 | Victoria, Canada

Developed teaching material and lectured students of the Systems Engineering and Interactive Media Design programs on HTML, CSS, and JavaScript.

**Volunteer for the Families in Action program** | Colombian Government – Department of Social Prosperity Spring 2007 | Cali, Colombia

Assisted women heads of household from vulnerable populations to register in the program and update their family information.